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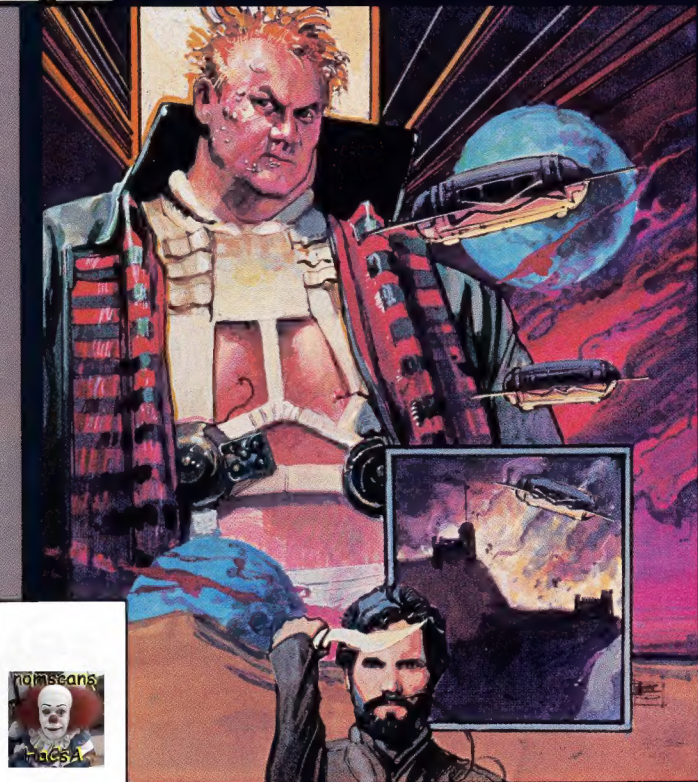
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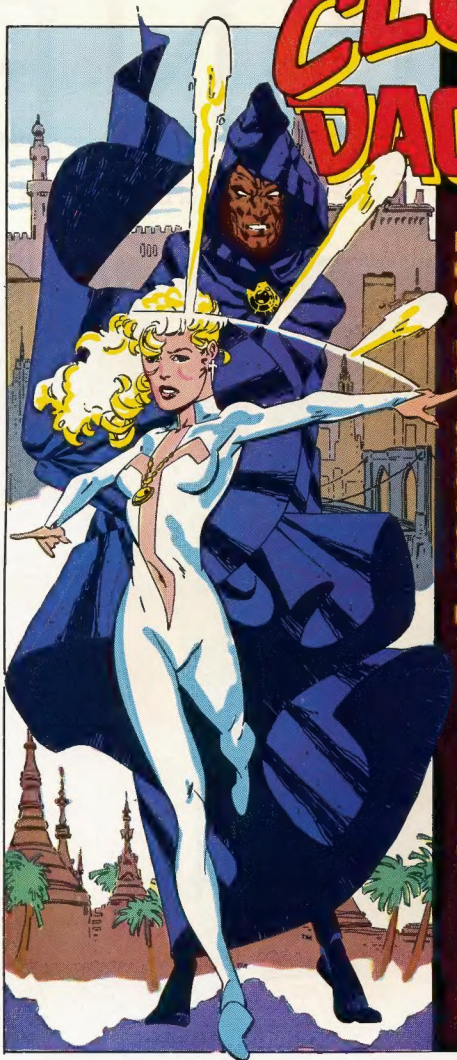
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ON THE DESERT PLANET, ARRAKIS, THE HEAD OF THAT WORLD'S CURRENT RULING FAMILY, DUKE LETO ATRÉIDES, WATCHES THE DESTRUCTION OF A SPICE MINING FACILITY BY ONE OF THE HUGE SANDWORMS-- THE SHAI-HULUD-- WHICH INHABITS THE VAST WASTES.

THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME SUCH A DISASTER HAS OCCURRED, MY DUKE, AND IT WILL NOT BE THE LAST, REGARDLESS OF WHO RULES ARRAKIS... IF YOU'LL FORGIVE MY SAYING SO.

OF COURSE, DR. KYNES. AS IMPERIAL ECOLOGIST, YOU'RE FAR MORE FAMILIAR WITH THIS THAN I.

AT LEAST THERE WAS NO LOSS OF LIFE BECAUSE WE WERE ABLE TO ALERT THE MINERS TO THE DANGER AND RESCUE THOSE WHO HADN'T ESCAPED.

AS THE DUKE AND THE OTHERS ABOARD THE FLYING ORNITHOPTER WATCH, THE AWESOME SANDWORM CONTINUES TO GORGE ITSELF ON THE MINING FACILITY BELOW.

BUT THERE ARE MANY MORE MINING STATIONS ON ARRAKIS, AND IT IS THE SPICE EXTRACTED THERE--MELANGE-- THAT MAKES THIS WORLD SO VALUABLE TO THE EMPEROR OF ALL THE KNOWN UNIVERSE-- SHADDAM IV.

MELANGE EVOLVES THOSE WHO CONSUME IT; IT ENABLES THE THIRD STAGE NAVIGATORS TO FOLD SPACE, AND THUS DRAW THE MANY WORLDS OF THE EMPIRE CLOSER THROUGH ACCELERATED TRANSPORTATION.

HUMANS WHO INDULGE IN THE SPICE HAVE THEIR LIFESPANS GREATLY INCREASED, AND THEY MAY BECOME CLAIRVOYANT OR TELEPATHIC AS HAVE THE WOMEN OF THE BENE GESSERIT SISTERHOOD.

AND BECAUSE THIS INCALCULABLY IMPORTANT SUBSTANCE IS FOUND ONLY ON THIS PLANET, ARRAKIS--DUKE-- HAS BECOME THE NEXUS OF A GALACTIC POWERPLAY INVOLVING HOUSE HARKONNEN (THE PLANET'S FORMER RULERS), HOUSE ATRÉIDES, AND THE EMPEROR SHADDAM IV HIMSELF.

## PART II DUNE

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LATER, AFTER THE SHAKEN CREW HAS RETURNED TO THE ARRAGEEN PALACE, FROM ITS ENCOUNTER WITH THE SHAI-MULUD...

THAT SANDWORM-- AWESOME, ABSOLUTELY AWESOME. IF WE HADN'T BEEN THERE IN THAT ORNITHOPTER, THE LOSS OF LIFE WOULD HAVE BEEN UNAVOIDABLE.



OH--DUNCAN (DANO)! I WONDER IF HE'S COMPLETED THAT MISSION FOR ME?



DUNCAN, MY FRIEND, WHAT HAVE YOU DISCOVERED AS MY LIAISON TO THE FREMEN -- TELL ME.

WHY HAVEN'T WE HEARD FROM YOU SINCE I SENT YOU AMONG THEM?

DUKE-- DUKE LETO!

MY LORD, I SUSPECT THEY ARE THE ALLIES WE SEEK. THEY ARE STRONG AND FIERCE. THEY DO NOT GIVE THEIR LOYALTY EASILY OR QUICKLY. AS YOU KNOW, THE IMPERIUM HAS NEVER BEEN ABLE TO TAKE A CENSUS OF THE FREMEN.

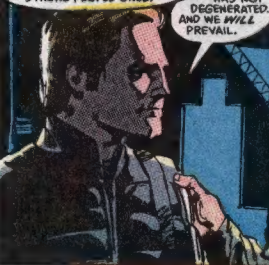
EVERYONE THINKS THERE ARE BUT FEW WANDERING HERE AND THERE IN THE DESERT. BUT, MY LORD, I SUSPECT AN INCREDIBLE SECRET HAS BEEN KEPT ON THIS PLANET...

...THAT THE FREMEN EXIST IN VAST NUMBERS, AND IT IS *THEY* WHO CONTROL ARRAKIS.

YOU LOOK TIRED, MY LORD.



VERY TIRED, DUNCAN... MORALLY TIRED. THE DEGENERATION OF THE GREAT HOUSES HAS AFFLICTED ME AT LAST, PERHAPS, AND WE WERE SUCH STRONG PEOPLE ONCE.

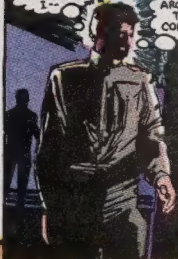


OUR HOUSE HAS NOT DEGENERATED. AND WE *WILL* PREVAIL.

GOOD OLD DUNCAN... IT'S GOOD TO HAVE YOU BACK. YOU'VE ALWAYS MEANT SO MUCH TO ME-- AND PAUL.

YOU'VE TAUGHT HIM THE SWORD AND MILITARY TACTICS, YOU'VE GOTTEN CLOSE TO HIM WHEN OTHERS COULD NOT.

I'M GOING TO BE NEEDING YOU IN THE DAYS AHEAD, OLD FRIEND. I--



--EH?! THAT SOUND-- FROM AROUND THE CORNER...



UGGHH!

THUSH!

NO NEED TO STRUGGLE TO SEE WHO YOUR ASSAILANT IS, MY LORD. IT IS I-- YUEH.



I'VE BROUGHT  
HOUSE ATREIDES  
DOWN. I'VE  
SABOTAGED  
THE HOUSE  
SHIELD GENER-  
ATORS. WE'RE  
WIDE OPEN.

WHY?

AND I'VE DESTROYED  
THE NEW ARMY'S  
WEIRDING MODULES.

I WISH TO KILL A MAN... NOT YOU, MY  
DEAR DUKE, BUT THE BARON HARKON-  
NEN, YOU WERE MARKED FOR DEATH  
ALREADY. BUT YOU WILL GET CLOSE  
TO THE BARON BEFORE YOU DIE.

YOU WILL BE TIED AND DRUGGED--  
BUT YOU CAN ATTACK. WHEN YOU SEE  
THE BARON, YOU WILL HAVE A NEW  
POISON GAS TOOTH. HE WILL WANT YOU  
CLOSE, SO HE CAN GLOAT OVER YOU.

ONE BITE ON THIS TOOTH,  
AND A STRONG EXHALE...

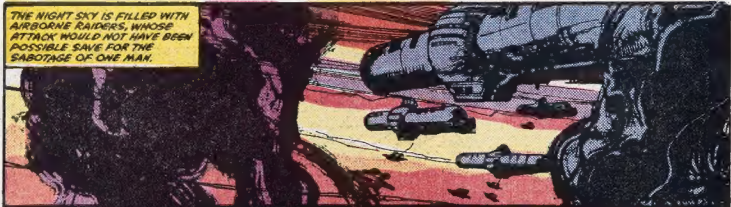
NO... I-  
I REFUSE.

NO! YOU  
MUSTN'T. FOR  
IN RETURN, I WILL  
SAVE THE LIVES OF  
YOUR PAUL AND  
JESSICA.


I HAVE  
REMOVED  
YOUR SIGNET  
RING... FOR  
PAUL.

WHEN YOU SEE  
THE BARON, RE-  
MEMBER... THE  
TOOTH... THE TOOTH.

OUTSIDE, WITH THE SHIELDS DOWN, ARRAKEEN  
IS VULNERABLE TO THE HARKONNEN SHIPS CARRYING  
THE EMPEROR'S SARDAAUKAR LEGIONS.



THE NIGHT SKY IS FILLED WITH AIRBORNE RAIDERS, WHOSE ATTACK WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE SAVE FOR THE SABOTAGE OF ONE MAN.



MUCH OF THE ASSAULT FOCUSES ON THE CASTLE, WHICH STANDS PROUDLY, DEFIANTLY, IN THE FACE OF OVERWHELMING ODDS.

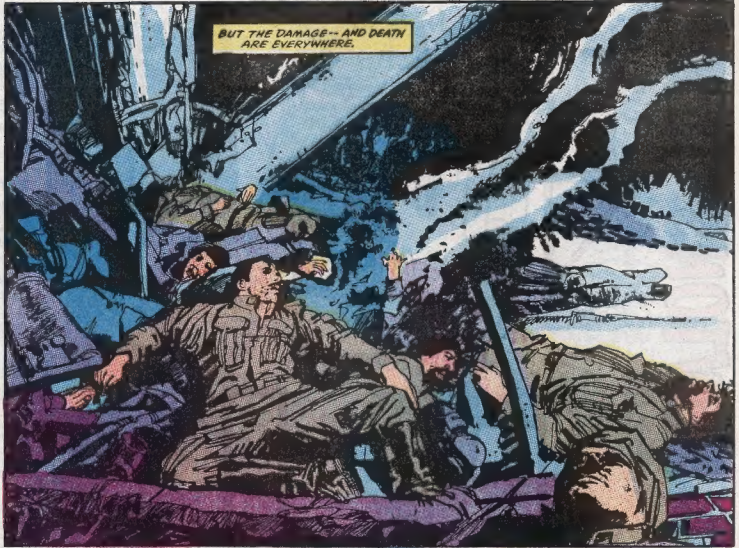


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ELSEWHERE IN THE CASTLE, THE FLOATING FORM OF BARON HARKONNEH APPEARS BEFORE A GAGGED AND TIED LADY JESSICA.

AHH, MY DEAR LADY JESSICA. WHAT A PITY YOU MUST REMAIN GAGGED. WE CAN'T LET OURSELVES BE SWAYED BY YOUR WITCH'S VOICE NOW, CAN WE?

IT WAS ALL SO VERY EASY. THE TRAITOR YOUR HUSBAND SEARCHED FOR IN VAIN WAS DOCTOR YUEN. HE WAS SOMEONE YOU TRUSTED COMPLETELY. THUS IT WAS A SIMPLE MATTER FOR HIM TO DRUG THE FOOD AND DRINK OF YOU AND YOUR YOUNG SON... MAKING YOUR CAPTURE A SIMPLE MATTER.

AND THEN HE SHUT DOWN THE FORCE FIELD GENERATORS IN THE CASTLE, OPENING IT TO ATTACK. I, OF COURSE, FOLLOWED AFTER THE PALACE HAD BEEN SUBDUED. AND THAT BRINGS US TO THE PRESENT.

GOODBYE, JESSICA. AND GOODBYE TO YOUR SWEET YOUNG SON.





THEY ARE BOTH TO BE TAKEN TO THE DESERT AS THE TRAITOR SUGGESTED, AND WORMS WILL DESTROY THE EVIDENCE. THEIR BODIES MUST NEVER BE FOUND.



PAUL! FIGHT THEM, LAD! I'LL BE THERE IN A SECOND!

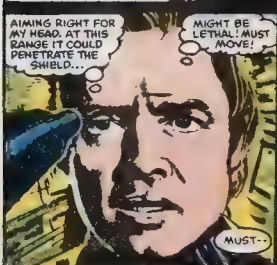
DUNCAN!



TOO MANY OF THEM. I'LL HAVE TO TURN ON MY PERSONAL SHIELD GENERATOR AND --



UNHH! BEING HELD FROM ALL SIDES -- AND THAT ONE'S GOT A STUNNER PELLET GUN!



AIMING RIGHT FOR MY HEAD. AT THIS RANGE IT COULD PENETRATE THE SHIELD...

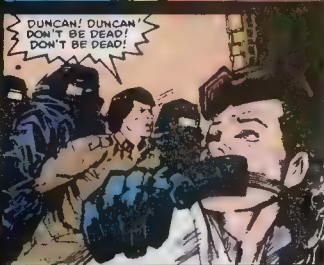
MIGHT BE LETHAL! MUST MOVE!

MUST--

KAK!



NO!



DUNCAN! DUNCAN! DON'T BE DEAD! DON'T BE DEAD!

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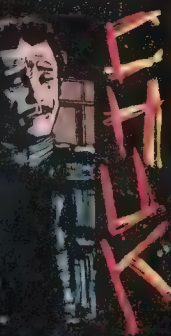
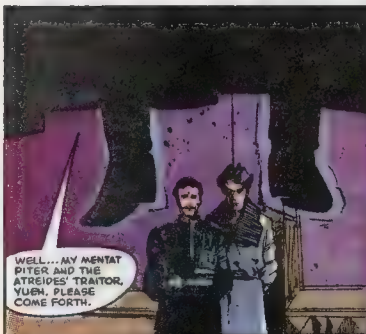
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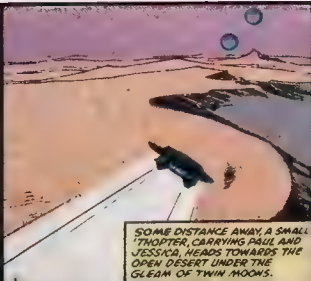




BUT FIRST, DR. KYNES, LET ME DESTROY YOUR STILLSUIT.

OH HHHH!

SEE HOW LONG YOU CAN SURVIVE IN YOUR BELOVED WASTELAND WITHOUT IT.



SOME DISTANCE AWAY, A SMALL THOPTER, CARRYING PAUL AND JESSICA, HEADS TOWARDS THE OPEN DESERT UNDER THE GLEAM OF TWIN MOONS.



YUEH'S SIGN-- THE DIAMOND-SHAPED TATTOO--



-- THERE, SCRATCHED ON THE CABIN ROOF, HE'S LEFT A SATCHEL.



HEY, I'D LIKE TO HAVE SOME FUN BEFORE WE KILL HER.



YEAH, WHY NOT.



DON'T TOUCH MY MOTHER.



OH GREAT MOTHER! HE'S TRYING THE VOICE. THE REVEREND MOTHER SAID IT COULD SAVE HIM.



DID YOU HEAR A NOISE FROM THE LITTLE ONE?

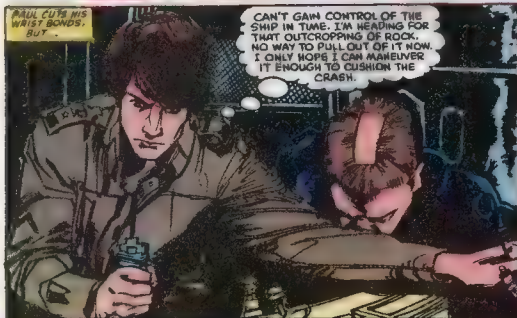


TAKE OUT YOUR KNIFE.



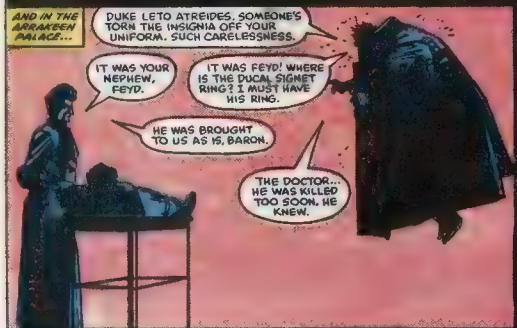
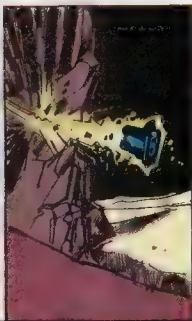
CHUNK!

MUST KILL.



PAUL CUTS HIS  
WRIST BONDS,  
BUT...

CAN'T GAIN CONTROL OF THE  
SHIP IN TIME. I'M HEADING FOR  
THAT OUTCROPPING OF ROCK.  
NO WAY TO PULL OUT OF IT NOW.  
I ONLY HOPE I CAN MANEUVER  
IT ENOUGH TO CUSHION THE  
CRASH.



AND IN THE  
ARRAKEEN  
PALACE...

DUKE LETO ATREIDES, SOMEONE'S  
TORN THE INSIGNIA OFF YOUR  
UNIFORM. SUCH CARELESSNESS.

IT WAS YOUR  
NEPHEW,  
FEYD.

IT WAS FEYD! WHERE  
IS THE DUCAL SIGNED  
RING? I MUST HAVE  
HIS RING.

HE WAS BROUGHT  
TO US AS IS, BARON.

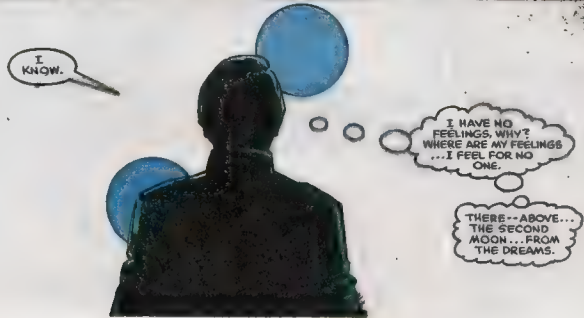
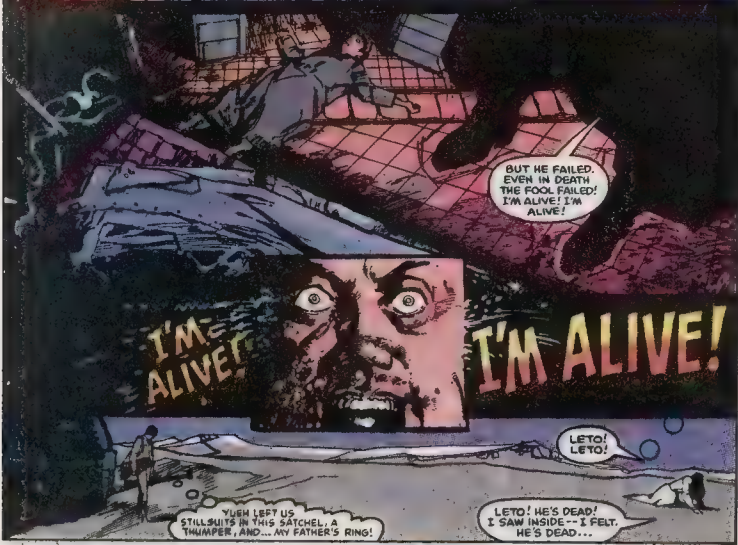
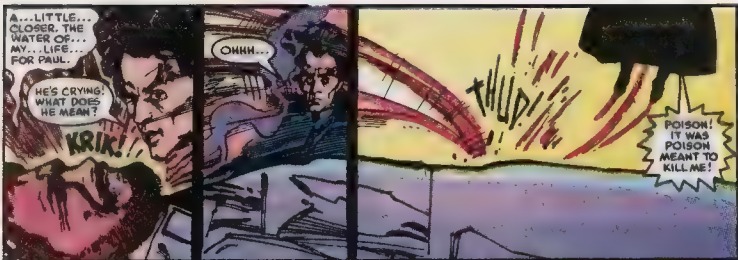
THE DOCTOR...  
HE WAS KILLED  
TOO SOON. HE  
KNEW.



YUEH... PROMISED  
PAUL AND JESSICA  
SAFE... THE  
TOOTH!

HE'S  
COMING  
'ROUND, MY  
LORD.





A...LITTLE...  
CLOSER. THE  
WATER OF...  
MY...LIFE...  
FOR PAUL.

OHKK...

THUD!

POISON!  
IT WAS  
POISON  
MEANT TO  
KILL ME!

HE'S CRYING.  
WHAT DOES  
HE MEAN?

KRIK!

BUT HE FAILED.  
EVEN IN DEATH  
THE FOOL FAILED!  
I'M ALIVE! I'M  
ALIVE!

I'M  
ALIVE!

I'M ALIVE!

LETO!  
LETO!

YUEN LEFT US  
STILLSUITS IN THIS SATCHEL, A  
THUMPER, AND... MY FATHER'S RING!

LETO! HE'S DEAD!  
I SAW INSIDE-- I FELT.  
HE'S DEAD...

I  
KNOW.

I HAVE NO  
FEELINGS, WHY?  
WHERE ARE MY FEELINGS  
...I FEEL FOR NO  
ONE.

THERE--ABOVE...  
THE SECOND  
MOON...FROM  
THE DREAMS.

IMAGES OF THE RECENT PAST FLASH BEFORE HIM. IMAGES WHOSE STAGGERING SIGNIFICANCE BECOMES CLEAR UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF THE TWO CRATERED ORBS.

THE MOON HOLDS HIS PAST IT APPEARS OPEN, REVEALING A SCENE OF RECENT EVENTS AS THE EMPEROR CONFERES WITH A THIRD STAGE NAVIGATOR.

I MEAN PAUL ATREIDES WE WANT HIM KILLED.

ALL THIS--WHY? WHY DO THEY WANT ME KILLED? DOES IT HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE ROCKET?

PAUL SEES THE IMAGE OF HIS DEAD FATHER AS THE HUGE FINGERS OF THE DETESTABLE BARON HARKONNEN RIP THE VERY FLESH FROM THE FACE OF DUKE LETO.

HE WHO CONTROLS THE SPACE CONTROLS THE UNIVERSE.

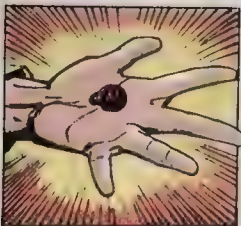
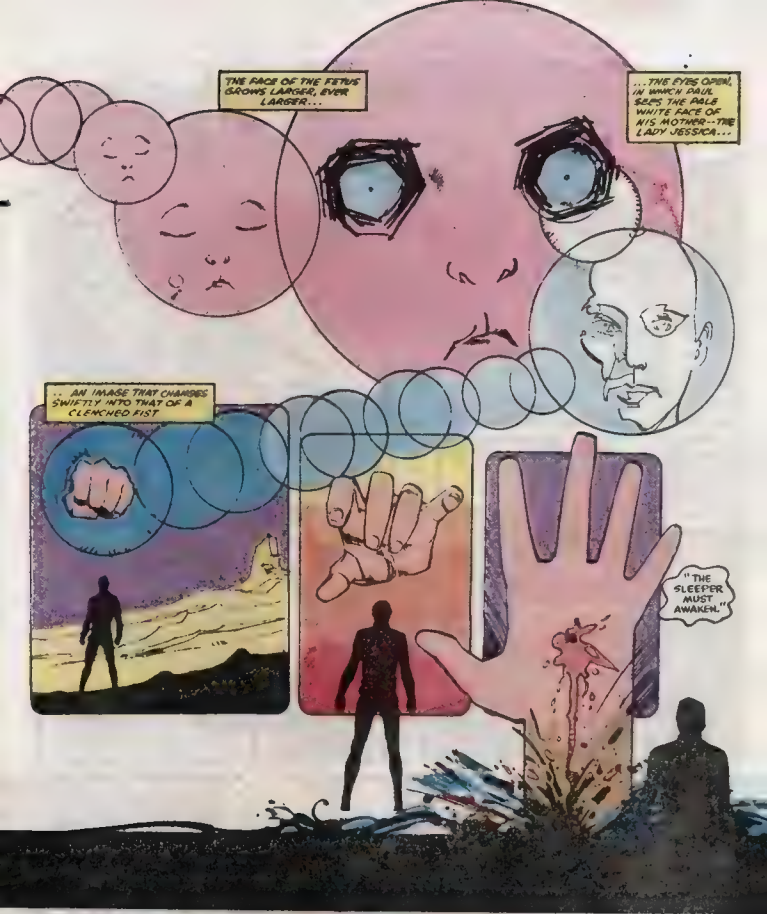
AND THROUGH THE STONE FROM THE OPEN MOON PAUL SEES AND HEARS THE BARON'S EVIL NEPHEW--LEID.

I WILL KILL YOU!

THE SECOND MOON APPEARS WITH THE ONE THAT HOLDS PAUL'S FUTURE AND WITH IT--RAIN. RAIN WHERE THERE WAS NEVER ONE DROP OF RAIN ON ARRAYS AND THE DUNES WILL BE OCEAN WAVES.

THE SECOND MOON DISCLOSES TO THE IMAGE OF A FEEL'S BORN.







LISTEN TO ME! YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT MY DREAMS... AND I'VE JUST HAD A WAKING DREAM. DO YOU KNOW WHY?

THE SPICE! IT'S IN EVERYTHING HERE. THE AIR, THE SOIL, THE FOOD. IT'S LIKE THE TRUTH-SAYER DRUG.



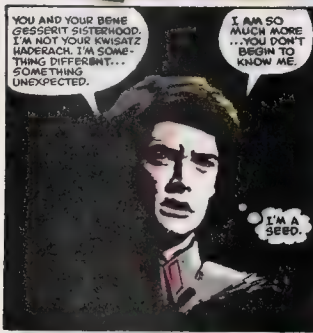
IT'S A POISON! YOU KNOW THE SPICE WOULD CHANGE ME, BUT THANKS TO YOUR TEACHINGS, IT'S CHANGED MY CONSCIOUSNESS.

I CAN SEE IT! I CAN SEE IT!



YOU CARRY MY UNBORN SISTER IN YOUR WOMB.

HE KNOWS.



YOU AND YOUR BEHE GESSERIT SISTERHOOD. I'M NOT YOUR KWISATZ HADERACH. I'M SOMETHING DIFFERENT... SOMETHING UNEXPECTED.

I AM SO MUCH MORE... YOU DON'T BEGIN TO KNOW ME.

I'M A SEED.



FATHER... NOW I HAVE BECOME A KILLER AND I WILL CONTINUE TO KILL UNTIL I HAVE AVENGED YOUR DEATH.



FATHER.

FOR A TIME HE STANDS SILENTLY, LISTENING TO THE SOBS OF HIS MOTHER. AND THEN BOTH TURN TO THE TASKS OF SURVIVAL AND DON STILLSUITS.



I'M GOING TO PLANT A THUMPER TO DIVERT THE ATTENTION OF ANY WORM WHICH SHOULD TRY TO FOLLOW US.

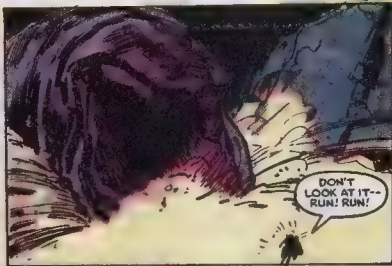
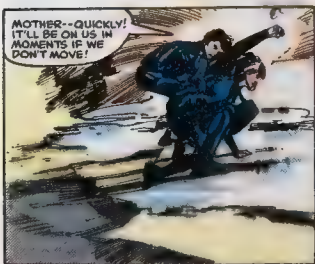
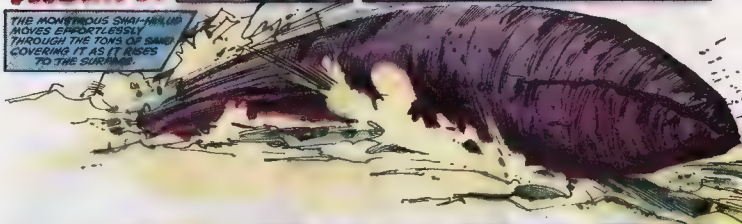


REMEMBER... WALK WITHOUT RHYTHM AND WE WON'T ATTRACT A WORM. IT'LL GO TO THE RHYTHMIC SOUND OF THE THUMPER.





THE MONSTRIOUS SHAI-HULUD MOVES EFFORTLESSLY THROUGH THE TONS OF SAND COVERING IT AS IT RISES TO THE SURFACE.





MADE IT. AND--WAIT...  
THAT SMELL--THE BREATH  
FROM THE WORM--  
CINNAMON. THE SPICE!  
I KNOW THE SECRET.

THE WORM IS  
THE SPICE...  
THE SPICE IS  
THE WORM

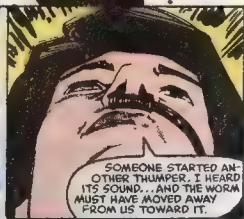


PAUL-- YOU'RE  
UNHURT. THERE IS  
A PASSAGEWAY DOWN  
TO THIS LEVEL  
BEHIND THE  
ROCKS.

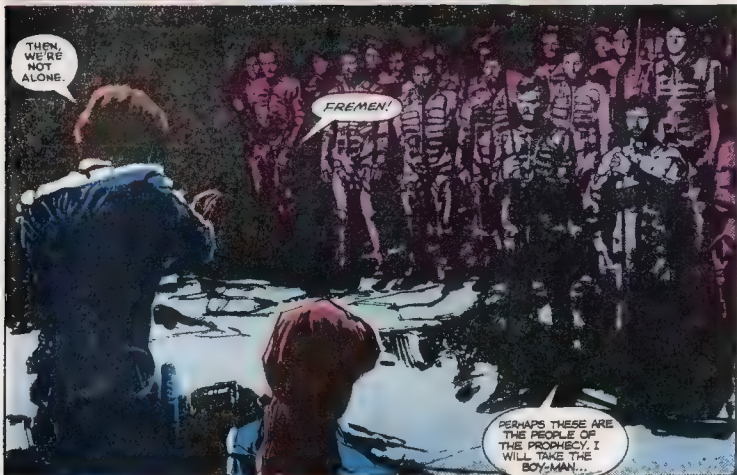
WHAT  
HAPPENED TO  
THE WORM?



THE WORM'S BANGING  
IS SHAKING THE  
MOUNTAIN. I'VE GOT  
TO DROP TO THAT  
LEDGE JUST BELOW.



SOMEONE STARTED AN-  
OTHER THUMPER. I HEARD  
ITS SOUND...AND THE WORM  
MUST HAVE MOVED AWAY  
FROM US TOWARD IT.



THEN,  
WE'RE  
NOT  
ALONE.

FREMEN!

PERHAPS THESE ARE  
THE PEOPLE OF  
THE PROPHECY. I  
WILL TAKE THE  
BOY-MAN...





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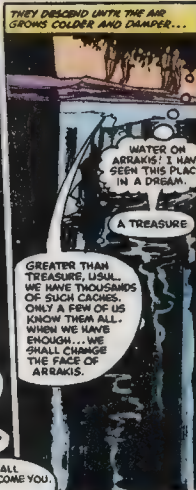
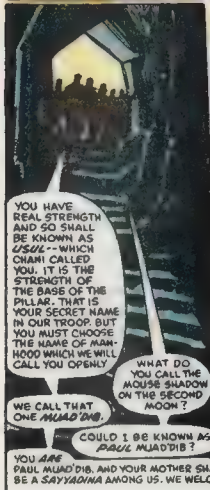
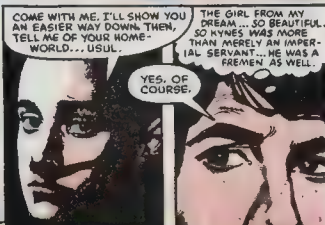
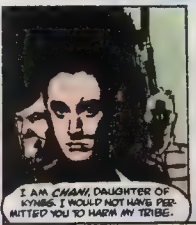
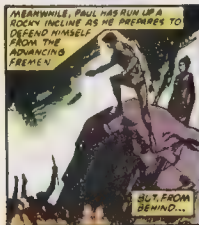
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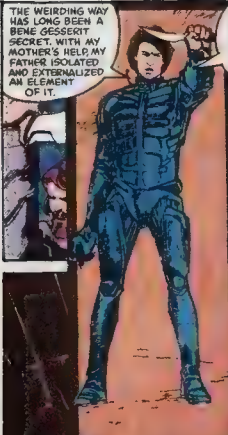
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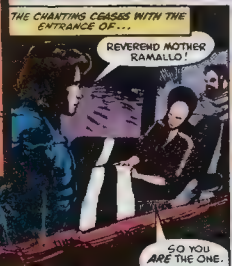


THE WEIRDING WAY HAS LONG BEEN A BENE GESSERT SECRET. WITH MY MOTHER'S HELP, MY FATHER ISOLATED AND EXTERNALIZED AN ELEMENT OF IT.

BECAUSE OF THE HARKONNEN TREACHERY, MY FATHER'S ARMIES WERE NEVER ABLE TO FULLY DEVELOP THIS NEW FORM. THIS IS WHAT I WILL TEACH YOU. YOU WILL BE THE FIERCEST AND MOST FEARED FIGHTERS IN THE UNIVERSE. WE WILL AVENGE MY FATHER!



MUADD'DIB! MUADD'DIB!



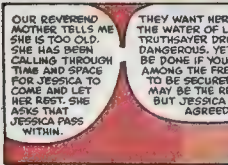
THE CHANTING CEASES WITH THE ENTRANCE OF...

REVEREND MOTHER RAMALLO!

SO YOU ARE THE ONE.

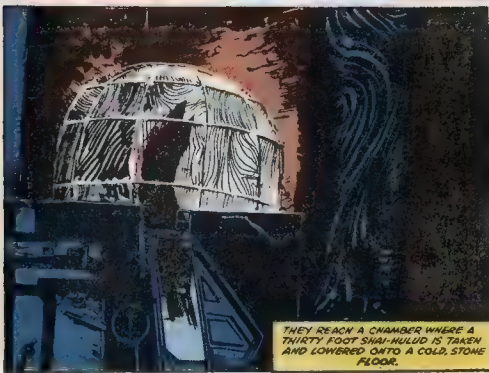


COME, PAUL. THERE ARE PREPARATIONS TO BE MADE FOR A MOST IMPORTANT CEREMONY.

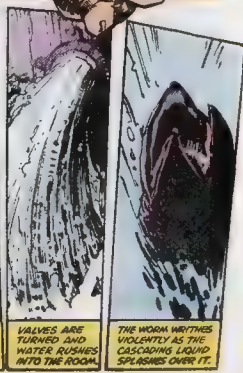


OUR REVEREND MOTHER TELLS ME SHE IS TOO OLD. SHE HAS BEEN CALLING THROUGH TIME AND SPACE FOR JESSICA TO COME AND LET HER REST. SHE ASKS THAT JESSICA PASS WITHIN.

THEY WANT HER TO TAKE THE WATER OF LIFE... THE TRUTHSAYER DRUG... SO DANGEROUS. YET, IT MUST BE DONE IF YOUR PLACE AMONG THE FREMEN IS TO BE SECURED. DEATH MAY BE THE RESULT, BUT JESSICA HAS AGREED.



THEY REACH A CHAMBER WHERE A THIRTY-FOOT SHAI-MULLUD IS TAKEN AND LOWERED ONTO A COLD, STONE FLOOR.



VALVES ARE TURNED AND WATER RUSHES INTO THE ROOM.

THE WORM WRITHES VIOLENTLY AS THE CASCADING LIQUID SPLASHES OVER IT.



CONTACT WITH  
THE WATER IS  
KILLING IT

IN ITS DEATH THROES, THE  
WORM SPASMS FORTH A  
BEAUTIFUL DEEP BLUE BILE.

THE WAITING MONKS SWIFTLY  
GATHER THE BILE, COMBINING IT  
WITH THE WORM WATER IN  
CEREMONIAL CONTAINERS.

DO YOU KNOW THE WATER  
OF LIFE... THE MYSTERY  
OF MYSTERIES... THE  
END AND THE BEGINNING?  
WATCH

THE WATER OF LIFE.  
THE MOST LETHAL  
POISON IN THE UNIVERSE

ONE AMONG US HAS CONSENTED TO ENTER  
THE RITE. SHE WILL ATTEMPT TO PASS  
WITHIN THAT WE THEREFORE NOT LOSE THE  
STRENGTH OF OUR REVEREND MOTHER.

WHAT IF SHE SHOULD FAIL?  
BACK ON CALADAN, THE REVEREND  
MOTHER MONIAM  
HERSELF SAID ALL THE MEN  
WHO HAVE TRIED, HAVE  
DIED.

ONE DAY I  
WILL HAVE TO  
DO THIS.

THIS IS THE ULTIMATE  
AWARENESS SPECTRUM NARCOTIC  
SHE MUST TRANSFORM THE POISON  
CONFIGURATION WITHIN HER BODY.  
THE BLUE MUST BE MADE CLEAN.  
NOW DRINK, LADY JESSICA.

JESSICA DRINKS, AND AS SHE DOES, CON-  
VULSES... AN ACTION INITIATED BY  
REVEREND MOTHER RAMMALLO, WHO NOW  
SHARES IN THE RITUAL.

HER HAND REACHES FOR  
JESSICA AND SEEMS TO  
PASS RIGHT THROUGH  
THE FLESH...

IT PROBES DEEPLY, AND SOMETHING  
WITHIN JESSICA BEGINS TO GLOW.  
IT IS A FETUS-FEMALE, THE REVEREND  
MOTHER'S HAND FLINCHES AS SHE  
BECOMES AWARE OF THE UNBORN CHILD.

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BODY  
BELONGS  
TO YOU,  
AND YOU  
HAVE A  
RIGHT TO  
DECIDE HOW  
AND WHEN  
ANYONE  
TOUCHES  
YOU!

IF SOMEBODY  
TRIES TO TOUCH YOU  
IN WAYS THAT DON'T  
FEEL GOOD OR SEEM  
RIGHT, **SAY NO!**

YEAH! AND  
BE SURE TO  
**TELL**  
SOMEBODY,  
TOO!

AND, DON'T FORGET, IF  
THE FIRST PERSON YOU TELL  
DOESN'T BELIEVE YOU, KEEP  
TELLING UNTIL YOU FIND  
SOMEONE WHO DOES!

AND REMEMBER,  
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**NOT YOUR  
FAULT!**

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YOU SHOULD HAVE  
TOLD US ABOUT THE  
CHILD. THIS CHANGES  
BOTH. WHAT  
HAVE WE  
DONE?

JESSICA AND THE FETUS RUSH MENTALLY THROUGH A  
DARK, WORM-LIKE TUNNEL, WITH SUDDENLY A GLARING  
BLACK HOLE APPEARS. CIRCLES OF EXPANDING LIGHT  
ISSUE FROM IT.

NO! THIS IS THE PLACE WHERE WE  
CANNOT LOOK. THE PLACE ONLY FOR  
THE EYES OF K'WISATZ  
HADERACH.

A SHAPE MOVES WITHIN THE  
WINDY HOLE. IT IS A THIRD  
STAGE NAVIGATOR ROARING.  
JESSICA QUICKLY RETREATS  
UP THE TUNNEL WITH HER  
CHILD.

WHAT IS THIS?  
IS THIS WHAT  
KILLS THE MEN  
WHO ENTER  
HERE?

NO MATTER  
NOW MY DAUGHTER  
--LETO'S DAUGHTER--  
AND I ARE BOTH  
REVEREND  
MOTHERS.

I'VE BEEN A LONG  
TIME WAITING FOR  
YOU. HERE IS MY  
LIFE...THE LIFE OF  
THE REVEREND  
MOTHER RAMALLO.

SHE IS DEAD.  
NOW, CHANGE  
IT THAT WE  
MAY ALL DRINK  
OF IT.

IT IS  
CHANGED.  
IT IS THE  
PROPHECY.



# Bullpen Bulletins

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The year Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four was the most successful year in Marvel's glorious history — the latest in a string of six record years in succession. Not too bad, huh? It's still the Marvel Age... and we're gaining speed! We work hard around here trying to deserve your support... and we really appreciate it. Thanks a lot, from all of us.

## HOW DO YOU FOLLOW AN ACT LIKE THAT?

I'm so glad you asked. What we've got for 1985 is something to see. For instance, **SECRET WARS II**. That's right — the most successful comics series in a quarter century is going to have a sequel, written by me, penciled by Sal Buscema, and inked by Steve Lialoha. It will be a nine-issue limited series, the first issue of which will be on sale in April. It'll feature every single Marvel hero and the story told in

**Secret Wars II** will cross over into every single Marvel Universe title! It's going to make history. Watch for it.

There are many more nifty things coming of course. Watch the hype box!

## AND NOW, CONTINUING MY PROUD TRADITION...

Once again, I will not present you with a list of New Year's Resolutions. I, frankly, usually find other people's resolutions cliché and tiresome. I'll bet you do, too.

## OH, AND BY THE WAY...

If you live near New York, or if you're ever visiting here, be sure to stop and see the **BARKING DOG MUSEUM**. It's small — basically just the storefront window of 46 Grand Street in Manhattan's colorful Soho district — but worth a look. It features the surrealist-inspired, mixed-media assemblages of one Richard Parker, visual artist and strange person. If the name sounds

familiar, it's because Rick also letters some of your favorite Marvel titles — which isn't why I'm plugging his show-place. The fact is, I think Rick's work is *fantastic*. Years from now, when he's garnered the acclaim from the art world that he's sure to get, I'll be proudly pointing out to everyone that I knew it all along!

We were all greatly saddened to learn of the death of Don Newton last August 19. He was an excellent artist and a fine man.

The comics business, and the world, also lost Phil Seuling during 1984. Phil was the comics distributor who virtually singlehandedly created the direct sales distribution system. We all owe him a lot. He was a wonderful man, and we'll miss him.

Best,



Jim Shooter  
Editor in Chief

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IN A ROOM DEEP WITHIN THE STRONGHOLD PAUL BEGINS THE TRAINING OF THE FRESH WARRIORS

THIS IS PART OF THE WEIRDING WAY THAT WE WILL TEACH YOU...

LET HIS ATTENTION BE ALSO DIRECTED ELSEWHERE...

CHANI... I LOVE YOU  
I'VE ALWAYS LOVED  
YOU.

GEDI PRIME  
DAY...

OH, THUFIR HAWAT THANA  
HEARDEN YOU WERE ONLY CAPTURED  
AND NOT KILLED. I SEE  
THEY'VE INSTALLED YOUR  
HEART PLUG ALREADY. EVERY-  
ONE GETS ONE HERE.

WE'VE BROUGHT YOU  
A LITTLE CAT. YOU  
MUST CARE FOR IT IF  
YOU WISH TO LIVE, FOR  
A POISON HAS BEEN  
INTRODUCED INTO  
YOUR SYSTEM.

BY MILKING THIS SMOOTH CAT  
BODY EACH DAY, YOU RECEIVE YOUR  
ANTIDOTE. ALSO, YOU MUST DO  
SOMETHING FOR ME IF YOU WISH  
TO LIVE. YOU KNOW I LOST  
MY MENTAT, PITER, DON'T YOU?

UNCLE, I WISH TO KILL  
THIS ATREIDES SCUM

FEYD, NO! THUFIR'S  
A HARKONNEN NOW, AREN'T  
YOU THUFIR? HMMM...

MY DEAR DUKE  
LETO... NOW  
I HAVE FAILED  
YOU.

ELSEWHERE, A  
CHILD HAS BEEN  
BORN...

I WILL CALL  
HER ALIA

TIME PASSES, AND PAUL CONTINUES THE TRAINING OF THE FREMEN...

THE WEIRDING WAY HAS LONG BEEN A BENE GESSERIT SECRET. OUR WAY OF BATTLE IS BUILT ON RHYTHM. YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE RHYTHM OF THE HIGHER SOUNDS...SOUNDS THAT HEAL AND BUILD...SOUNDS THAT DESTROY.

MOTION IS THE BASE. YOU MAY UNDERSTAND MOTION-- BUT NOT THE MOTION THAT HEALS AND BUILDS... MOTIONS THAT DESTROY.

THROUGH SOUND AND MOTION YOU WILL BE ABLE TO PARALYZE NERVES, SHATTER BONES, SET FIRES, SUFFOCATE AN ENEMY, OR BURST HIS ORGANS. WE WILL KILL UNTIL NO HARKONNEN BREATHES ARRAKEEN AIR.

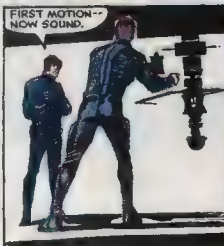
ACTIVATE YOUR WEIRDING MODULES SET THE RANGE FOR TWO METERS.



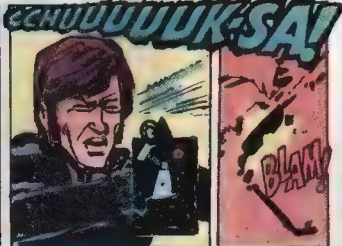
THE ROBOT OVER THERE. THE ARM...



YES, USUL.



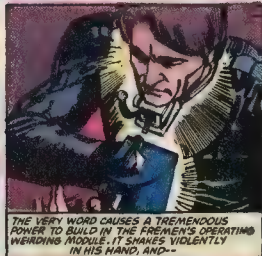
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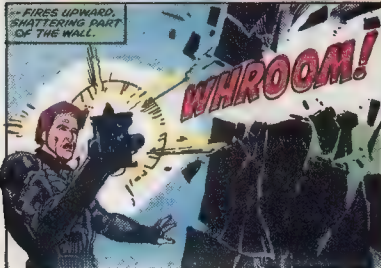
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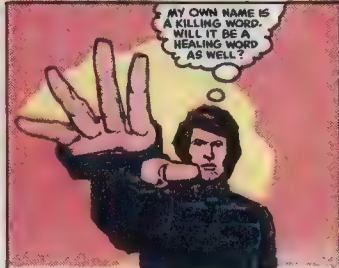
MUAD'DIB!



THE VERY WORD CAUSES A TREMENDOUS POWER TO BUILD IN THE FREMEN'S OPERATING WEIRDING MODULE. IT SHAKES VIOLENTLY IN HIS HAND, AND--



-- FIRES UPWARD, SHATTERING PART OF THE WALL.



MY OWN NAME IS A KILLING WORD. WILL IT BE A HEALING WORD AS WELL?



USUL... THIS IS ONE OF  
OUR PIERCEST WARRIORS.  
HE WILL BE ONE OF THE  
FIFTEEN WHO WILL SERVE  
AS YOUR GUARD... THE  
FEDAYKIN.

SOUND... AS  
A WEAPON.  
IF ONLY YOU  
COULD SEE  
THEM, FATHER.

DAYS LATER IN  
THE DESERT...

FREMEN FIGHTERS BELOW  
CHARGING THE HARKONNENS.  
THEY'VE LEARNED HOW TO  
USE THEIR WEIRDING  
MODULES...

"WHEN THE SPICE FLOW  
STOPS, THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE  
WILL TURN ITS EYES TO  
ARRAKIS. THE BARON AND  
THE EMPEROR, HIMSELF,  
WILL BE FORCED TO  
DEAL WITH US."

AND BELOW THOSE DEEP BLUE-WITHIN-  
BLUE EYES, THE BATTLE GOES WELL FOR  
THE FREMEN...

... AS THEY EXPLODE EVERY-  
THING IN THEIR PATH!

IN THE CAUSE  
OF MUAD'DIB!  
FORWARD!

DEATH TO THE  
HARKONNENS!!

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